PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q58982

Madeleine PRIGENT, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/559,595

Group Art Unit: 1774

Confirmation No.: 3132

Examiner: Jill M. GRAY

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For:

AN OPTICAL FIBER CABLE HAVING IMPROVED PROPERTIES

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time of two months, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of March 16, 2004, to August 16, 2004.

Please charge our Deposit Account No. 19-4880 for the statutory fee of \$420.00. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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